

Big Bend National Park

Daily Report – Friday, May 14, 2010



Weather Forecast

Today Mostly cloudy with a 40% chance of afternoon showers and thunderstorms. Some thunderstorms may be severe. Winds will be from the south at 10-25 mph. Mountain highs around 70, river highs mid 90s.

Tonight Increasing clouds with a 20% chance of showers and thunderstorms. Winds will be from the southwest at 10-15 mph. Overnight lows 51-64.

Tomorrow Partly cloudy with a 20% chance of showers and thunderstorms. Winds will be from the southwest at 10-15 mph. Mountain highs upper 60s, river highs mid 90s. Overnight lows 55-60.

Extended Sun-Thu: Partly cloudy. Highs: mid 70s-upper 90s Lows: mid 50s-mid 60s

Sunset tonight: 8:37 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow: 7:01 a.m.

Fire Danger

In the Chisos Mountains: High

Panther Junction/Foothills: Moderate

Temperatures and Precipitation

| | Temperatures – Last 24 hours | | | | Precipitation | | |
|--------------------|------------------------------|------|-----|------|---------------|-------|------|
| | Elevation | High | Low | 8 AM | 24 Hours | Month | Year |
| Panther Junction | 3750' | 92 | 69 | 73 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.86 |
| Chisos Basin | 5400' | 87 | 63 | 66 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 5.44 |
| Rio Grande Village | 1850' | 103 | 67 | 71 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.22 |
| Castolon | 2170' | NR | NR | NR | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.70 |
| Persimmon Gap | 2970' | 94 | 68 | 71 | 0.00 | 0.04 | 2.54 |
| Lajitas | 2340' | 100 | 64 | 74 | 0.00 | 0.06 | 2.27 |

River Levels

| | Flood Stage | Today | Yesterday |
|-------------------------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|
| Presidio International Bridge | 15.50 | 4.27ft/93 cfs | 4.31ft/100 cfs |
| Lajitas | 15.00 | 3.5 ft | 3.5 ft |
| Castolon | 15.00 | 3.11ft/145 cfs | 3.11ft/145 cfs |
| Johnson's Ranch | 15.50 | 5.43ft/130 cfs | 5.43ft/130 cfs |
| Rio Grande Village | 13.00 | 4.30ft/162 cfs | 4.28ft/160 cfs |
| Dryden Crossing | 59.00 | 7.41ft/713 cfs | 7.49ft/671 cfs |

Current Park Conditions:

Grapevine Hills Road will be closed for repairs starting Monday, May 17th.